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SUBJECT: CCMS: UK PARTICIPATION IN GEOTHERMAL PILOT STUDY

1. AS EMBASSY AWARE, RECENT DECISION HAS BEEN MADE BY HMG TO PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY IN ALL CCMS ENERGY PILOT STUDIES (SOLAR, GEOTHERMAL, AND RATIONAL USE OF ENERGY).

2. BRITISH CCMS FONOFF COORDINATOR (ROTHWELL) AT RECENT OECD ENVIRONMENTAL COMMITTEE MEETING EMPHASIZED TO HARRIS BRITISH WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN CCMS GEOTHERMAL WORK PROGRAM, DESPITE FACT THAT BRITISH HAD PREVIOUSLY EXPRESSED NO INTEREST.

3. CCMS PROJECT ON EXPLOITATION AND UTILIZATION OF DRY
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HOT ROCK TO PRODUCE GEOTHERMAL ENERGY MAY BE OF CURRENT

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INTEREST TO HMG. PROJECT INCLUDES INFORMATINON EXCHANGE PROGRAM AND ON-SITE PRTICIPATION BY NATIONAL EXPERT IN LOS ALAMOS SCIENTIFIC LABORATORY (LASL) DRY HOT ROCK DEMONSTRATION PROJECT. NATO MEMBERS HAVE BEEN INVITED TO SUBMIT NAMES OF QUALIFIED GEOTHERMAL OR ROCK MECHANIC EXPERTS FOR PARTICIPATION FOR THREE MONTHS IN ON-GOING EXPERIMENTAL WORK PROGRAM AT NEW MEXICO SITE. LASL DRY HOT ROCK PROGRAM IS WELL KNOWN TO LEADER OF BRITISH GEOTHERMAL PROGRAM, SIR KINGSLEY DUNHAM, WHO RECENTLY VISITED PROJECT. SIMILAR WORK BEING CONSIDERED IN U.K.

4. REQUEST EMBASSY ADVISE HMG THAT U.S. AS PILOT COUNTRY FOR GEOTHERMAL PILOT STUDY, WISHES TO EXTEND INVITATION TO HMG TO NOMINATE AN EXPERT TO PARTICIPATE IN NEW MEXICO PROJECT. HMG WOULD BE EXPECTED TO COVER EXPERT'S COSTS. MOST INTERESTING EXPERIMENTAL WORK WILL TAKE PLACE IN LATE SPRING AND SUMMER OF 1975. IF BRITISH WISH MORE INFORMATION ON PROJECT, SUGGEST THEY CONTACT MR. MORT SMITH AT LASL ASAP.

4. TWO COPIES OF CONFERENCE REPORT OF DRY HOT ROCKS MEETING HAVE BEEN POUCHED TO AMEMBASSY LONDON FOR HMG.

5. PLEASE ADVISE OF BRITISH RESPONSE. INGERSOLL

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